National Policy for Home based Workers

4183. SHRI R.S. GAVAI : Will the MINISTER OF LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to evolve a national policy for home based workers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the welfare measures proposed by Government for home based workers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL) : (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. A National Consultation in order to elicit the views of various sections and State Governments was organized on 17-1-2000. Based on the discussions, a draft National Policy on Home Based Workers is under examination.

Minimum Daily Wages for Government, PUs and Hotels Empolyees

4184. SHRI SURYA BHAN PATIL VAHADANE : Will the MINISTER OF LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) what are rates of the minimum amount of wages admissible to the persons engaged on daily wages by the Government/PUs/Hotels and the Ltd. companies;

(b) whether Government are aware that some of the Ltd. Companies make payments on lesser rates; and

(c) if so, whether Government proposes to issue strict instructions to such organisations to adhere to the rate prescribed by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL) : (a) to (c) The minimum wages in the scheduled employments are fixed both by the Central and State Governments under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948. The daily rates of wages in respect of employments under State spheres including Hotels are fixed by the respective State Governments. The daily rated workers engaged in Central Government are also paid the rates of wages prescribed by the respective State Governments. Central Government is responsible for fixation/revision of rates of wages in 44 scheduled employments.